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#### Ohrdruf (J15)

Map. Area 1, embracing a former German munitions plant and the woods south of the Chrdruf-Crawinkel road, is occupied by:

3 motorized rifle regiments (red tabs/black piping).

I armored regiment, with approximately sixty T-34/85 tanks.

1 AT battalion, with twelve 76.2 mm AT guns.

1 armored reconnaissance battalion, with six cars armed with very heavy turret machine guns. All cars are marked with the letter B inside a white rhombus, plus numbers 208 and 341 to 345.

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Vehicles in the area: E 1-20, E 1-21, E 1-22, E 1-27, E 1-28.

Local residents claim that the area also holds two heavy artillery regiments, with approximately fifty heavy guns. Source observed only two light field guns, type 39, with recoil brake above and below the barrel.

Map, Area 2

It is believed to be held by an armored division. Troops wear black tabs/red piping, plus armored insignia. Also in this area are:

One rifle battalion, equipped with eighteen trucks, twelve heavy machine guns and 88-mm mortars (number of each not given), and four 120-mm mortars on one-axle trailers with tires.

One tank truck column with twenty-one vehicles.

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Right T-34/85 tanks and two JS-3 tanks.

Vehicles in the area: C 4-58, C 4-59, C 4-60, C 4-63, 7 4-58, 7 4-59,

Local residents allege that more than 300 tanks and assault guns are parked here, but Soviet security measures prevented corroboration.

Near map area 2, approximately 2.5 kilometers from Wölfis, is a small airfield occupied by nine fighter aircraft marked, on the fuselage, by yellow longitudinal. stripes.

Area 3 is occupied by infantry and artillery. Vehicles: E 6-70, E 6-72, B 2-70, B 2-74

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### Kindl Training Area (H87)

4. Some units of 57 Guards Rifle Division from Naumburg are still encamped northeast of the Berka-Mihla road, between Berka and Bischof-rode. No particular activity was noticed during the observation period. Soviet guards and German police made a close inspection impossible.

#### Naumburg (J89)

o. The Naumburg Komendatura has informed that city's administration that troops will leave "for permanent quarters" at the end of September 1948. Equapment of all kinds is being loaded nightly and sent by rail in the direction of Elsenach.